Please delete lines 25-27 on page 1.

Please amend the specification by inserting the following on page 1 in place thereof:

--This application is a Continuation Application of ASN 08/618,485, filed on March 19, 1996 entitled PREPARATION OF POTENT MACROPHAGE ACTIVATING FACTORS DERIVED FROM CLONED VITAMIN D BINDING PROTEIN AND ITS DOMAIN AND THEIR THERAPEUTIC USAGE FOR CANCER, HIV-INFECTION AND OSTEOPETROSIS which is a continuation-in-part of ASN 08/478,121 filed June 7, 1995, entitled DIAGNOSTIC PROGNOSTIC INDICES FOR CANCER AND AIDS, and the entire disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein—.

IN THE CLAIMS

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please cancel claims 1-4.

Please add the following claims.

A process for cloning vitamin D_3 -binding protein (Gc protein) into baculovirus comprising the step of selecting and using a baculovirus non-fusion vector and a host to clone the vitamin D_3 -binding protein Gc protein (Gc protein), wherein the Gc protein has a molecular weight of approximately 52,000, approximately 458 amino acids and 3 distinct domains,

by using cDNA containing initiation codon (-16 Met) through the leader sequence to the +1 amino acid (leu of native Gc protein and introducing the cDNA

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